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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): SPARK PLUG FOR USE IN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

1. Type of Application

This application is for an original (non-provisional).

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2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

50 Page(s) of Specification
3 Page(s) of Claims
8 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney
1 Page(s) of abstract

3. Additional Papers Enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

Citations

4. Declaration or Oath

Enclosed and executed by the inventors.

5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

6. Language

English

7. Assignment

An assignment of the invention to **NGK Spark Plug Co., Ltd.** is attached. A separate FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.

8. Certified Copy

Certified copies of applications:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filed</u>
JAPAN	JP2002-310610	10/25/2002
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from which priority is claimed are attached.

9. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application									
CLAIMS AS FILED									
Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$750.00									
Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate					
Total Claims (37 C.F.R § 1.16(c))									
14	–	20	=	0	x	\$	0.00	=	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R § 1.16(b))									
1	–	3	=	0	x	\$	84.00	=	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R § 1.16(d))						\$	280.00	\$	280.00
Filing Fee Calculation									\$1,030.00

10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee \$1,030.00

Recording assignment (\$40; 37 C.F.R. §
1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT
ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION".) \$40.00

Total Fees Enclosed \$1,070.00

11. Method of Payment of Fees

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of **\$1,070.00** to credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0537. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

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- 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
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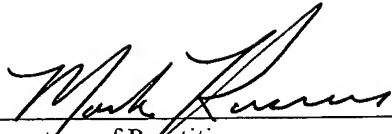
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